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## **City of Andover Ash Injection Program**

The City has awarded a contract to Birch Tree Care for injecting eligible ash trees for property owners at a city-wide bulk discount to combat Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). These are trees determined by the contractor and/or City to be acceptable candidates based on but not limited to the following parameters: size, structure, health, condition and location. In addition, the trees shall not have more than 25% canopy loss. Below is a list of other important program guidelines:

- Birch Tree Care is licensed and bonded with the City;
- The trees shall be treated with Emamectin benzoate;
- Treatments will last up to 2 years;
- The company offers a money back guarantee if your treated tree(s) die from EAB while under the company's protection plan (details available upon request);
- The price is based off the DBH (Diameter at breast height) of trees in inches (minimum size is 8 inches);
- All trees in the City right-of-way shall be inspected by City staff prior to treatments. The
  City may allow or deny treatment. The adjacent property owner will be responsible for
  paying for right-of-way trees unless the City contributes because of the Bonus City
  Discount.
- **BONUS CITY DISCOUNT**: In addition to the bulk discount found with the hired contractor, the City will contribute a maximum of 20% of the total cost of eligible trees per property with a maximum contribution of \$75;
  - The City has the final say whether or not tree(s) are eligible for treatment and eligible to receive the **bonus city discount**;
  - Please fill out the information below and provide a copy of the estimate from the company. Email to: <u>k.kytonen@andovermn.gov</u>
  - O City staff will review the application and if it's approved, will sign it, contact you by phone or email and send back the final form. Upon receipt, treatments may be scheduled;
  - o Treatments are not retroactive and the application shall be approved by the City prior to work commencing to be eligible for the **bonus city discount**; and
  - o Trees treated in previous years under this program are not eligible.
- <u>GENERAL PROCESS TO FOLLOW</u>: Call the City and request an inspection to determine which tree(s) on your property are eligible. Following that inspection, contact Birch Tree Care to have them come out and give a quote for treatments. Fill out form on back for **bonus city discount (if eligible)**.
- CONTACTS:
  - Kameron Kytonen, Natural Resources Technician-City of Andover: 763-767-5137; k.kytonen@andovermn.gov
  - o Steve: (Birch Tree Care): 612-391-3310; steve@wearebirch.com

## <u>City of Andover Ash Injection Program</u> <u>"Bonus City Discount" Application</u>

DATE
NAME
ADDRESS
PHONE
EMAIL
TOTAL NUMBER OF TREES
ESTIMATE
PROPERTY OWNER PAYMENT
CITY PAYMENT
PROPERTY OWNER SIGNATURE
DATE
CITY STAFF SIGNATURE
DATE

(Please attach copy of the quote from Birch Tree Care to this form in order to receive discount)